

205—9.3 (906) Issuance of a certificate by the board of parole.

9.3(1) The board of parole may issue a certificate of employability to an offender who has been committed to an institution under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections. Such certificate may be issued by the board at the time the offender is released from such institution under the board's authority or at any time thereafter. The board shall only issue a certificate of employability to an offender who obtains a positive recommendation from the department of corrections or community-based corrections in the state of Iowa.

9.3(2) The board of parole shall not issue any certificate of employability pursuant to this chapter unless the board is satisfied that:

- a.* The person to whom it is to be granted is an eligible offender;
- b.* The relief to be granted by the certificate is consistent with the employability of the eligible offender; and
- c.* The relief to be granted by the certificate is consistent with the public interest.

9.3(3) Any certificate of employability issued by the board of parole to an eligible offender shall be deemed to be a temporary certificate until such time as the eligible offender is discharged from the board's supervision. Such a certificate may be revoked by the board, by the board's designee, or by an administrative parole judge for violation of the conditions of release or new arrest. Revocation shall be upon notice to the offender, who shall be accorded an opportunity to explain the violation prior to a decision thereon in accordance with subrule 9.3(5) below. After an eligible offender discharges all indictable criminal offenses imposed by the state of Iowa, the certificate of employability will only be revoked if it is determined that the certificate was obtained as the result of fraud or deceit or if the eligible offender is subsequently convicted in Iowa, or any other jurisdiction, of a crime that has a maximum penalty of two or more years of incarceration, in which case the certificate of employability shall be automatically revoked.

9.3(4) In the granting of a certificate of employability, the number of votes required to grant the certificate will be determined by the board of parole risk assessment score as set out in 205—subrules 8.15(2) to 8.15(4).

9.3(5) A certificate of employability may be revoked by the decision of an administrative parole judge or the board's designated officer at a parole revocation hearing held pursuant to rule 205—11.7(908). A certificate of employability may also be revoked at any time by affirmative vote of three or more of the parole board members.

9.3(6) The board may conduct an investigation of the applicant for the purpose of determining whether a certificate of employability shall be issued.

9.3(7) Any applicant whose application for a certificate of employability has been denied shall have the right to an appeal to the board of parole if the applicant initiates an appeal within ten days of written receipt of initial decision. Any appeal must be on an official board of parole appeal form.